IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANTONY DOMINIC

MONDAY, THE 17TH DECEMBER 2007 / 26TH AGRAHAYANA 1929

W.P(C).No. 37360 of 2007(V)

PETITIONER:

M.A.SATHAR, S/O.AHAMADKUNHI, AGED 60 YEARS, SOCIAL WORKER, MOOPANTAKATH HOUSE, TRICHAMBARAM, TALIPARAMBA AMSOM, KANNUR DISTRICT.

BY ADV. SRI.V.T.MADHAVANUNNI
SRI.V.A.SATHEESH

RESPONDENTS:
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1. **KERALA WAKF BOARD, REPRESENTED BY ITS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, V.I.P.ROAD, KALOOR, KOCHI - 17.**
2. **P.MAHAMOOD, ADVOCATE, RETURNING OFFICER, TALIPARAMBA JUMA-ATH PALLI TRUST COMMITTEE, THANA, KANNUR P.O., KANNUR DISTRICT.**
3. **TALIPARAMBA JUMA-ATH PALLI TRUST COMMITTEE, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, TALIPARAMBA P.O., KANNUR DISTRICT.**

BY ADV. SRI. P.A. ABDUL JABBAR, SC FOR R1

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 17/12/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

ANTONY DOMINIC, J.

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Dated this the 17th day of December, 2007

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Petitioner submits that in the election that is now scheduled to be held to the 3rd respondent, election identity cards should be insisted for the voters to avoid misuse of their franchise.

2. Standing Counsel for the 1st respondent submits that when Ext. P2 representation was received from the petitioner, the petitioner was directed to approach the 2nd respondent who is the Returning Officer appointed for conducting the election to the 3rd respondent and Ext. P3 is the communication that has been issued in this behalf. It is also seen that by Ext. P4 the petitioner has approached the Returning Officer with this request. Referring to Ext. P4, the Standing Counsel for the 1st respondent points out that the matter is pending consideration of the Returning Officer and that it is for the Returning Officer to take a decision on Ext. P4.

3. The issue is whether identity cards are to be issued is a matter that is pending consideration of the Returning Officer. In

view of this, it is for that officer to consider and pass orders on Ext.P4.

4. Therefore, I dispose of this writ petition directing that the 2nd respondent shall take up and consider Ext. P4 representation made by the petitioner as expeditiously as possible on production of a copy of this judgment.

ANTONY DOMINIC
JUDGE

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